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Ref: 2234-20842

Honorable Philip N. Asprodites
Commissioner of Conservation
Post Office Box 94275
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re: Hearing Application
Robulus L Sand, Reservoir A
RAMOS FIELD
Assumption Parish, Louisiana
Applicant: The Meridian Resource & Exploration,
LLC

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of **The Meridian Resource & Exploration, LLC** for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Robulus L Sand, Reservoir A, Ramos Field, Assumption Parish, Louisiana.

1. To create a single drilling and production unit of approximately 238 acres for the Robulus L Sand, Reservoir A, designated as the Robu L RA SUA, Ramos Field, Assumption Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;
2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the said unit;
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
4. To consider such other matters relating to the subject reservoir as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

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The Robulus L Sand, Reservoir A in the Ramos Field, Assumption Parish, Louisiana is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the measured depths of 14,918 feet and 15,007 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Meridian Resources, Inc.-Williams Land Co. No. 1 Well, located in Section 78, Township 16 South, Range 14 East, Assumption Parish, Louisiana.

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, the Commissioner of Conservation, the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation and all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties known to the applicant after a reasonable search were notified in writing in the pre-application notice dated October 26, 2001 that a conference to discuss the proposed application was tentatively scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Friday, November 16, 2001. A request to confer was made, but the request for the conference has been withdrawn, and therefore, the conference **WILL NOT BE HELD**.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the Robulus L Sand, Reservoir A, Assumption Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties. A copy of the list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties is not being mailed to those parties along with this application. Should any such party desire a copy of this list, however, we will be glad to provide one upon request.

Upon receipt of the legal notice in the captioned matter, the notice will be posted, published and mailed in accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$700.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,


B. J. Duplantie

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Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson
District Manager
Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners,
Represented Parties and
Interested Parties

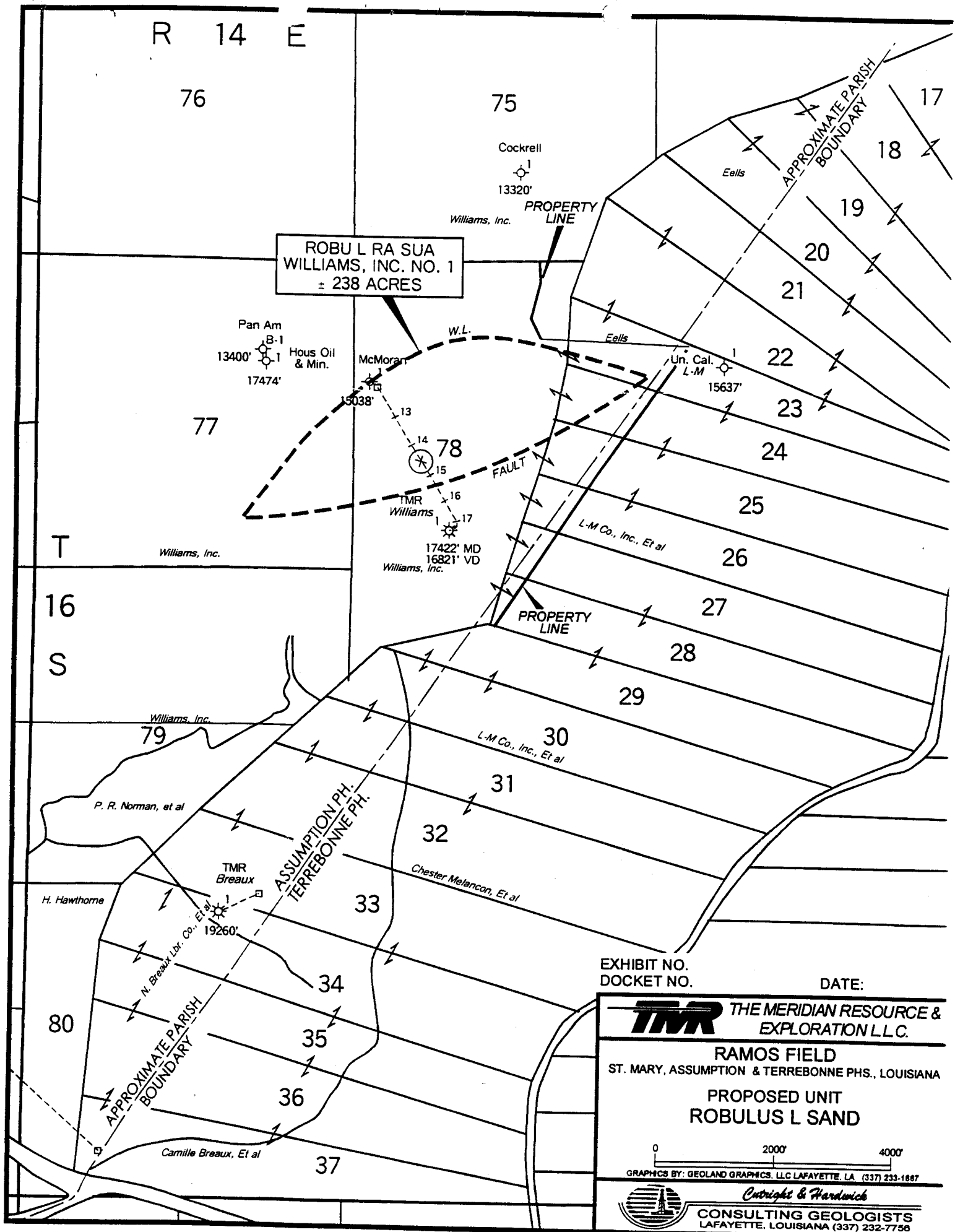


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**THE MERIDIAN RESOURCE &
EXPLORATION L.L.C.**

**RAMOS FIELD
ST. MARY, ASSUMPTION & TERREBONNE PHS., LOUISIANA**

**PROPOSED UNIT
ROBUS L SAND**